

**TODAY and
TOMORROW**

A Study In Contrast

THE Stalin-Roosevelt-Churchill communique that was born of the Yalta Conference has come in for unqualified ridicule at the hands of many competent commentators even in Britain and America. The world-famous Bernard Shaw, for example, writing in the Scottish Weekly 'Forward' describes the Yalta Communique as the "most impudently incredible fairy tale that has ever amused mankind." The more carefully one reads the Yalta Communique, the deeper grows the conviction that in the event of anti-Axis victory the postwar Europe will be a volcano from end to end, seething with political unrest, economic disorganisation, and racial bitterness. In other words, the translation of the Yalta Conference into full action would be the sure precursor of another European war.

This notorious document says nothing about the anti-Axis intentions in Asia. But we are perfectly entitled to infer that if and when the anti-Axis powers are in a position to do in this continent what they like, they will use Asiatic nations as pawns in their game of power-politics exactly as they are now using Poland and other parts of the so-called liberated Europe. In that way, the Yalta communique is a timely warning to us. We now know that the anti-Axis powers, for all their high-flown professions of democracy and so forth, are bent on their own aggrandisement. Not from them can we Asians expect fairplay and justice.

Where then lies our hope? For answer, let us recall the historic Dai Toa Declaration of November 6, 2603, which assures mutual security and prosperity to the peoples of East Asia. This charter of mutual co-operation, mutual and common prosperity is now actually in the course of being implemented. Even the most malicious Anglo-American propagandists cannot deny what invaluable help Nippon has rendered National China, the Philippines, and Burma solely with a view to their rehabilitation as independent and sovereign States. Even Thailand, Indonesia and Malai have a lot to be thankful for Nippon's generosity. And her all-out assistance and unstinted help to the Provisional Government of Azad Hind will always remain an imperishable page in the history of India's rebirth.

These facts fully justify us in nailing our flag to the Nippon mast. In view of what is happening in Europe and what is happening in Asia, there can be no escaping the conclusion that Nippon's victory is India's victory, while, on the contrary, an anti-Axis victory would mean an indefinite prolongation of the slavery of the peoples of Asia including Indians.

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17,000 FOE CASUALTIES IN IWOJIMA

Enemy Losses Mounting In Face Of Furious Nippon Attacks

A Nippon Base in the Central Pacific, Feb. 24 (Domei)—Nippon forces on Iwojima inflicted more than 17,000 casualties on American Marines since their landing on Feb. 19 up to the night of Feb. 23 and their blood losses are continuing to mount hourly in the face of furious Nippon resistance. In the Chidori sector, in the western part of the island, as well as in the Obigahara sector, in the central area, the enemy has been compelled to retreat despite his attempt to regain lost ground at the cost of heavy personnel and material losses.

On the morning of Feb. 22 enemy warships operating off Iwojima opened up a heavy rolling barrage and under its cover American forces began to drive on Byobu Rock of Mount Byobu, about 300 metres south-east of Motoyama Airfield. About noon on Feb. 23 the enemy managed to reach Nippon positions on Byobu Rock. A furious counter-assault by the Nippon defenders, however, hurled back the invaders and by 1.30 p.m. Nippon troops were in full control of the situation.

Nippon forces are now continuing their furious pounding of the enemy's left flank. Intense fighting is now taking place on the southern side of Byobu Rock as well as the southern part of Motoyama Airfield, while Nippon troops in the Mount Suribachi sector are stubbornly holding their positions, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy.

Meantime, field dispatches from the western sector of Iwojima indicate the enemy forces there are also incurring costly losses.

Lashing out fiercely against enemy troops attacking Nippon positions in the vicinity of Kamome Rock, Nippon defenders on the night of Feb. 21 carried out a smashing counter-attack knocking out two enemy tanks and setting ablaze two more, and killing or wounding more than 400 American Marines. Latest reports indicate that Nippon forces are continuing their assault.

Air Force Lends Support To Iwojima Defenders

A Nippon Base in the Central Pacific, Feb. 24 (Domei)—Giving close aerial support to the Nippon defenders of Iwojima Nippon air units on the evening of Feb. 23 conducted a concentrated bombing against enemy positions on the island, principally in the vicinity of the enemy's landing point in the southern part of the island.

Enemy Raiders Over Tokyo & Kanto District

Damage Caused Slight; Results Achieved Now Being Investigated

Tokyo, February 25 (Domei)—Dai Honyei at 8.45 this evening announced:

"Firstly, approximately 600 carrier-based planes released from an enemy task force this morning, February 25, raided the Kanto district.

"Moreover, approximately 130 B-29's during the afternoon today, also invaded mainly the skies over the metropolis and perpetrated indiscriminate bombing from above the clouds.

"Secondly, as a result of the above indiscriminate bombing, a small number of incendiaries as well as explosives dropped in the vicinity of the Office of the Bureau of Imperial Mews of the Imperial Household Ministry and the neighbourhood of the guards station at the entrance of the Omiya Palace. However, damage caused was slight.

"Thirdly, fires which were started in several sections of the city were extinguished by evening. Other damage was negligible.

"Fourthly, as to our war results in intercepting the enemy raiders, investigation is now underway."

Enemy Motorcar Unit Badly Raided, Strafed

A Nippon Base on the Burma Front, February 25 (Domei)—Nippon fighter units, in concert with our ground forces operating in the Irrawaddy river sector, yesterday carried out a fierce attack against an enemy motorcar unit, setting ablaze two cars and heavily damaging 48 others.

On the other hand, our night bomber unit on the same night attacked a point 20 kilometres

SIND COUNCIL PROROGUED; DOOM OF HIDAYATULLAH MINISTRY HELD IMMINENT

Gwalas' Spirit Unrivalled Here And In India

That the Indian Gwalas in Syonan and other parts of Malai stand second to none in their patriotism and self-sacrificing spirit for the emancipation of their motherland is common knowledge throughout East Asia.

When Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose issued his clarion call for total mobilization of men and material for the war of liberation the Gwalas came forward and responded to the call very liberally, some of them offering their livestock, the very means of their livelihood, while the young and hardy joined the Azad Hind Fauj.

On several occasions Netaji has publicly acknowledged their high sense of patriotism. It was only the other day that His Excellency the Chief of Staff profusely thanked the Gwalas for supplying milk, free of charge, to the patients in the various hospitals of the Azad Hind Fauj.

No less freedom-spirited and patriotic-minded are the Gwalas in India. According to a latest report from Bombay, the Gwalas and other wholesale milk dealers of that great city poured out large quantities of fresh milk into the streets as a protest against the action of the British military authorities who commandeered the whole of the city's milk supply for the entertainment of the British troops in India. This is yet another proof of the Indian people's utter hostility towards the satanic British Government in India.

south-west of Pakokku and set ablaze four planes, thereby dealing a heavy blow to the enemy. All our planes returned to their base unscathed.

Government Defeated By Thumping Majority On Cut Motion

According to a New Delhi report, the British-sponsored Hidayatullah Cabinet of the Sind Province suffered a smashing defeat yesterday in the Sind Provincial Assembly in Karachi on a token cut motion to the supplementary demand under the head "General Administration".

The Opposition comprising the Congress, Muslim League and other Parties stood as one man against the Cabinet headed by Sir Ghulam Hussein Hidayatullah, the Premier. After the cut motion was debated upon, a division of votes were demanded by the Opposition which resulted in a thumping majority against the Hidayatullah Cabinet.

Following his defeat, Sir Ghulam Hussein Hidayatullah refused to move further demands for supplementary grants, and the Assembly was prorogued. Earlier in the Assembly, Mr. G. M. Syed, who is also President of the Sind Provincial Muslim League, declared that the Hidayatullah Ministry no longer enjoyed the confidence of any party in the Legislature.

It is believed that the downfall of the Hidayatullah Ministry has been due to the fact that it has made itself into a tool of the British authorities for the inhuman exploitation of the people of Sind. The only alternative before the Ministry now is to resign en bloc, as otherwise it would not be able to function in the teeth of such united opposition.

The growing strength of the united anti-British front in India was also stressed yesterday by the wellknown Hindu leader Dr. B. S. Moonje, in the course of his presidential address to the Bengal Provincial Hindu Mahasabha meeting at Jalpaiguri.

In his address, Dr. Moonje emphasised the fact that today both Hindus and Muslims are united in their determination to see a free India, an India free from any foreign control whatever. It is this goal which all political parties in India are today aiming at, Dr. Moonje stated.

32,500 Tons Foe Shipping Sunk Off English Coast

Berlin, Feb. 23 (Domei)—In the battle at sea German motor torpedo boats last night sank off the English coast 11 ships totalling 21,500 tons. Four more steamers aggregating 11,000 tons were torpedoed and presumed sunk. In addition, two enemy freighters were damaged.

DEEP AMERICAN CONCERN OVER IWOJIMA LOSSES

Lisbon, Feb. 24 (Domei)—Deep concern is being felt by the American public over the terrific losses sustained by American Marines on Iwojima and influential American journals are striving to impress upon the people that they should not be swayed by the news of mounting casualties, according to reports received here.

The "New York Times" in an editorial today stressed, "The conquest of Iwojima is the most difficult land task yet undertaken in the Pacific," and losses were inevitable.

In an attempt to minimize the huge losses so far incurred, the editorial said, "The surprise

is not that casualties have been so heavy but that they have not been greater. As shocking as are casualty figures to the American public, and as tragic as they are to individuals, they are the inevitable cost of the war."

The "New York World Telegram" warned the American people that there appears to be no immediate let-up of the costly fighting on Iwojima. As to the extent of American losses, the journal explained that there is no frontline or rear on Iwojima in the usual sense of the word. It said there is no spot on the island where American troops are safe from Nipponese fire.

Germans Wipe Out Br. Position In Netherlands

Berlin, February 23 (Domei)—

In the battle for fortifications on the Eastern Front German garrisons are tying down strong enemy forces, stated the official war communique. It added the enemy, however, succeeded in penetrating slightly into the south front of Breslau. The communique further said heavy battles were raging in the fortifications centre of Posen and in the southern part of Graudenz.

In East Prussia north of Mehlsack and in the Zinten area German divisions continued to foil all Soviet breakthrough attempts. Also south-east of Libau and south of Tuckum German formations yesterday smashed strong Soviet attacks, destroying numerous enemy tanks and wresting ground which had been temporarily lost. Our attacks against the remainder of the Soviet bridgehead on the Gran made further headway against tough enemy resistance, the Fuehrer's Headquarters announced. The announcement said a Soviet attempt to break through the German front on the Neisse toward the west failed with heavy casualties to the enemy, while ground lost west of the Neisse was regained in counter-attacks.

On the Western front in the Netherlands area in a surprise thrust German forces and Dutch volunteers wiped out one British strong point and captured numerous prisoners. The announcement also disclosed that after the heaviest artillery fire the Americans in the early morning hours today opened an expected big attack on the Roer on a broad front.

It continued that on the flanks of our front bulge projecting towards the Ourthe fierce fighting for localities and pillboxes continued south-west of Pruem and east of Vianden. In some sectors the Americans attacking on a wide front succeeded in squeezing back our troops. At several points our own groups were offering bitter resistance to the enemy. Street fighting in Forbach continued. On the Spichern hills and to the east in the forefield of the West Wall fighting was in progress for single groups of pillboxes.

Egyptian Premier Shot At And Killed

Lisbon, Feb. 24 (Domei)—Reports from Cairo said that Egyptian Premier Ahmed Maher Pasha passed away today after being fatally wounded by an assassin in the Egyptian Parliament during a debate on the question of Egypt's entry into the war on the side of the anti-Axis powers.

Lisbon, Feb. 24 (Domei)—Egyptian Premier Ahmed Maher Pasha is reported to have been seriously wounded in a shooting incident in the Egyptian Parliament today during a heated debate on the question of Egypt's entry into the war on the side of the anti-Axis powers, according to a Reuter's dispatch from Cairo. His condition is believed to be critical.

The identity of the man who shot the Egyptian Premier is so far unknown.

ANGLO-AMERICAN VICTORY HELD GREATEST TRAGEDY TO INDIA, WHOLE WORLD

(By Chandra Gupta)

Tokyo, Feb. 23 (Domei)—A couple of days ago India's revered leader Mahatma Gandhi issued a statement at Wardha wherein he stated that it would be the greatest tragedy not only to India but to the whole world if the Anglo-Americans were to win this war.

Of course Gandhi must have said a lot more about the Anglo-Americans but rigorous British censorship has practically suppressed the major portion of his statement. Nevertheless, the little that has been let out is enough to tell the world that an Anglo-American victory means a new era of ruthless exploitation and domination of the world. When a statement like this comes from such a great man as the Mahatma, no one in this world will doubt the truth of it. For the whole world knows the Mahatma and whatever he says is considered as gospel truth by all right-thinking men of the world.

The Anglo-Americans are frantically trying to crush the Axis powers claiming that they are attempting to establish a world based on justice and righteousness. But it is not for that. It is for the establishment of the worst type of imperialism. And these Anglo-American warmongers know that as long as the Axis powers exist their ambitions for world domination and exploitation will ever remain a dream. As such they want to eliminate their rival powers—the Axis—who are fighting this war to establish a new world order based on justice and righteousness.

To Indians Gandhi's statement is a grim warning to continue the freedom struggle with unabated fury. Now when we

have the golden opportunity of having the support of the mighty power of Nippon to help us in our freedom fight, our Mahatma means that it is our solemn duty to avail of this God-sent opportunity to wrest our country's freedom. You will remember our Mahatma's instructions when he launched his final struggle for independence on Aug. 8, 1942. He said: "This is my last struggle" and his order to his countrymen was to "do or die."

Therefore, the temporary setbacks of the Axis powers should not in any way distract our attention from our goal. The apparent success of the Anglo-Americans are not even worth mentioning and they are not going to be decisive factors in shaping the destiny of the world. Hence, it is our duty today to strictly follow the order of our leader the Mahatma and his latest warning is to the effect that we should not slacken our efforts in any way.

Under the leadership of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose the three million Indians in East Asia today stand as one man, prepared to sacrifice our all for the realization of our goal. The recent outrage committed by the enemy in wantonly bombing our army hospital in Rangoon has served to intensify our hatred all the more and every Indian in this part of the world is eagerly waiting for the day to wreak vengeance on the enemy. And that day is not far off when the enemy will have to rue for all his inhuman actions.

Towards this end we Indians in East Asia are striving our best with the "do or die" spirit inspired by our revered leader the Mahatma.

Incendiary Bombs Not Dangerous If People Know How To Handle & Extinguish Them In Proper Time

Syonan, Feb. 24 (Domei)—A score of pock-marked roadways in the heart of the city bore eloquent testimony to the indiscriminate bombing carried out by enemy raiders that visited Syonan today.

The pock-marks, clearly visible in many roadways, proved beyond doubt that the enemy, as in many instances in other war theatres, just jettisoned his load without taking the trouble to look where his "surprise packet" landed. Syonanites laughed scornfully as they looked at what remained of scores of incendiary bombs that just burnt themselves out on the sidewalks and streets. "The Yankees must have had cold feet sure enough to waste all these bombs," they chaffed one another as incendiary fragments were all collected together and the roadways quickly made usable with the clearing of sand and debris that had been heaped on some incendiaries.

However, in the Central Police Station area where a total of about 100 incendiaries was dropped, all bombs were snuffed out before any damage could be done. This was due to the excellent training received by members of the Police Force who dealt with the bombs expeditiously and expertly. Damage in this instance was nil.

Not so in the case of the riverfront and central Chinatown areas where

hundreds of Chinese civilians were rendered homeless for the simple reason that they did not know how to handle these fire-missiles. Homes were gutted and shops burned down to the ground due to the inexperience of the populace.

Outside some of the burning establishments it was noticed that sandboxes, fire swats and wet gunny-sacks were still standing as they were showing that though civilians were prepared for any eventuality, they did not take the necessary measures despite equipment being available to put out the fires caused by these incendiaries.

Interviewed, the Syocho of Central Police Station pointed out that the people of Syonan who must expect many more raids in future, have to acquaint themselves without delay with the method of fighting fires and must know how to extinguish incendiaries. "These incendiaries are nothing to be feared of," he said "and the example of how 100 of such incendiaries did no damage whatsoever when they fell in the Central Police area alone attests to the fact that if people are properly trained to deal with incendiary bombs, damage to civilian life and property will be minimized to the extreme."

The Syocho in conclusion urged the people of this city to take the

Furious Battle Rages In Heart Of Manila City

(By a Domei War Cor.)

Luzon Front, Feb. 24 (Domei)—Nippon troops and resistance groups in the heart of Manila are continuing to offer embittered resistance to American forces, while the opposition put up by Nippon troops on Corregidor is preventing enemy war-craft from utilizing Manila Bay. Although the enemy on Feb. 22 and 23 conducted a furious bombing and shelling attack, Nippon troops in Manila are stubbornly holding to their positions which run from the ancient walls of Manila to the southern part of the city.

Nippon forces are battling fiercely with high morale despite the increasing number of enemy forces as well as the intensity of enemy shelling. A Nippon unit under the command of a naval lieutenant carried out a bitter counter-attack against enemy forces in the vicinity of Pasay beach on the night of Feb. 21, while another naval force launched bloody close-quarter thrusts against the enemy in the vicinity of the Malacanang presidential mansion. Heavy enemy shelling and bombing attacks on Feb. 22 have reduced virtually all buildings on the campus of the Philippine University.

Meantime, it is reported American troops have carried away young women nurses of the National Hospital of the Philippines whom they seized on Feb. 22. The hospital concerned has hitherto been used for accommodating Filipino civilians.

I.I.L. Donates \$10,000 For Air Raid Relief

As a token of their sympathy with the affliction and distress caused among the city's populace by the indiscriminate bombing of the city by the enemy on Saturday last, the Indian Independence League, Syonan Branch, has presented a cheque for \$10,000 to Mr. Mamoru Shinozaki, the Kosei-ka Cho, with a request to use the money "in any manner as you think fit for the amelioration of the condition of the air raid victims."

BIRTH.

Menon—At Chuo Byoin, Syonan, on Feb. 24, 2605 at 9.14 p.m. (T.T.) to Anita Elizabeth, wife of Mr. A. V. T. Unni Menon, a daughter, Devi Anurupa. Both mother and child are well.

DEATH.

V. T. Parvathi Ammal (aged 72), mother of V. S. K. Murthy (Hospital, Kluang), and mother-in-law of R. K. Sharma (Syonan) passed away peacefully at 2 p.m. on 20th February, 2605 at her residence in Syonan.

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necessary steps to learn how to extinguish incendiaries in future, and to see that all households have sand, fire swats, wet sacks, and all other equipment necessary at all hours of the day in order to combat fires that may be started with the occurrence of any future enemy raids on this city.

Nippon Expected To Take Retaliatory Action

Tokyo, February 24 (Domei)—The Nippon Government is expected to declare war on Turkey in retaliation against the latter's declaration of war against Nippon and Germany, although Turkish participation in the war on the side of the anti-Axis nations constitutes no threat to Nippon's war effort, Foreign Office sources predicted today.

These quarters expressed the opinion that Turkey was obviously coerced into declaration of war by the Anglo-American powers. Pointing out that the Turkish Government has hitherto been expressing desire to maintain friendly relations with Nippon, these circles said the Turkish action is believed to have been made inevitable by the various circumstances created by the Anglo-American powers. They emphasized, however, that Turkish declaration of war will not in the least affect Nippon's conduct of the war.

Holi Festival To Be Observed Here On 28th

Under the auspices of the Bharatiya Bhawan, No. 47, Cuff Road, the Holi festival will be observed on Wednesday the 28th instant at 5 p.m. There will be Hawan and Prayers followed by a musical programme.



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